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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:)
BAR-OR et al.)
Serial No.: 09/678,202)
Filed: September 29, 2000)
Atty. File No.: 4172-3)
For: "METAL-BINDING COMPOUNDS AND USES THEREFOR")

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313

7, 2004, to April 7, 2004.

Dear Sir:

Applicants, through their attorneys, respectfully petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) of three (3) months to respond to the Office Action mailed on October 7, 2003, with respect to the above-identified application, thereby extending the period for response from January

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$475.00 as payment for the extension fee. Please credit any overpayment or debit any underpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-1970.

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Respectfully submitted,

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